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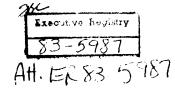
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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

12 December 1983

Mr. John N. McMahon Deputy Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. McMahon:

I want to thank you for hosting, on the afternoon of December 7, 1983, the briefings and tour of the CIA provided for a large group of National War College students taking our course "Intelligence and the National Security Process." Student reaction and comments have been both positive and decidedly complimentary. The important information they gained from your expert briefers significantly contributed to their understanding of the U.S. intelligence community and, specifically, the contributions made by the CIA. This successful visit was the final section of our comprehensive survey course which was focused on all the major elements of the intelligence community infrastructure.

I would also like to thank those members of your staff from the OTE, DDO, DDI, and DDS&T who directly participated in setting up this visit to your facility and in providing the several briefings. I am sure that the forthcoming attitude of your briefers and the professional manner in which this visit was organized will be well remembered by our students.

Finally, I want to thank you for the most informative and interesting briefing you yourself gave to our students. Your frank and comprehensive responses to their many questions were extremely well received by all participants.

I am most appreciative of your continuing support for our curriculum and programs. Giving our students the opportunity to learn directly from experts and experienced practitioners like yourself is a vital part of our educational program. This learning experience will well serve the students during their future assignments in the military, foreign service and domestic sectors.

Sincerely,

Perry M. Smith Major General, USAF

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